WALL ST. MARKET

BEAR DRIVE FORCES PRICES TO LOWEST LEVEL.

Standard Issues Reflecting Declines of From One to Two Points on the Average-Marine Preferred and United Important Losers.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Around mid- Tob Prod.... 52% 52% 52 day a bear drive forced prices to the Tob P pf... 99 lowest level of the day, standard is- Twin City.. 93 sucs reflecting declines of from 1 Un Bag & P. 121/2 121/2 121/2 to 2 points on the average.

Among the more conspicuous losses Un Pac pf... 8314 8314 were those recorded by Marine pre. Un Cig Sto., 98% 98% ferred, United States Steel, Central Un Cig Mfg. 44 44 Leather, Crucible Steel, Anaconda, USCIP.... 19 1814 1814 Westinghouse, and Baldwin Locomo-tive, Lehigh Valley was one of the Un Fruit.... 142 [143] 1391

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tive, Lehigh Valley was one of the					Un Fruit 142 143 1391 1391
new rails to advance.					US Ind Al., 130% 132% 127% 128%
The second secon					USRℑ 1614 1614 1614 1614
Today's Quotations.					US Rub 541/2 541/2 523/2 523/2
Quotations today up to 1:30 o'clock were as follows:					U.S.Rub 1pf 109 109 109 109
Mele We Tollo.		Contract Contract			U.S.Sm.&R 58% 58% 57% 57%
A.A. Yhunnilous			gh. Los		USSteel 1081/4 1081/4 1061/4 1061/4
Ad Rumley	16	1634	16	1634	US Steel pf. 1181/4 1181/4 1181/4 1181/4
Ad R. pf	3214	3234	3234	3234	Utah Cop, 110% 110% 108% 109
AmAgChm.	90	90	89	89	Va-Car. C 49 40 3914 3914
Al Ch M p	8214	8234	8214	8234	Wabash 12% 12% 12% 12%
Am Bt Sug.	89	89	8714	8734	Wab p A 50 50% 48% 48%
Am Can	44	44	42%	43	Wab p B 26% 26% 26% 26% 26%
Am Car Fdy	6434	6434	621/4	6214	West Md 251/4 251/4 241/4 241/4
Am Cot Oil.	44	44	44	44	Weathe 50 50% 48% 48%
A Ice Sec	25%	25%	2514	2514	West UT 93% 93% 93% 93%
Am Linseed.	18	18	18	18	Wells F Ex., 100 100 100 100
Am Loco	71	71	6914	6934	White Mot 49 49 4814 4814
A Malt C pf.	51	51	51	51	Willy Ov 34 34 3356 3356
A_M pf.cts	50%	5134	50%	51	Wil & Co Inc 63 63 j . 62% 62%
	98%	9914	96%	9636	
Am Smlt pf			111	111	Sales up to 11 a. m 171,100
Am Sugar	114%	11454	111	111	Sales up to 12 noon 282,300
Am Tobacco	208	208	208	208	Sales up to 1 p. m 375,900
A Tb. pr nw.			10614		Selling ex-dividend—Am. Refining and Smelting, 114; Nat. Lead, pfd.,
Am Wool		47	46%	47%	1%; Federal Mining and Smelting.
Wool pfd.	9734	9714	9734	9734	pfd., 1%; United Cigars Mfg., pfd.,
Am Zinc	36	36	3514	351/2	1; Cerrao De Passo Copper, 11/2; Ex-
Am Zinc p	69	69	69	69	tra Manhattan Short, 1.
Anaconda		7954	7734	7736	
ATESF	10214	10334	10114	102	RECORD COAL PRODUCTION
At Bir&A	14%	1436	1436	1474	
At G W I	9314	9434	8914	8915	Though Cities Suffered, 1916 Out-
At GWIpf.	5739	571/2	56	56	
Anstd Oil	72	72	72	72	put Was Largest in History.
Baid Loco	54	54	5134	5134	Though Washington and many
Hald Loc pf.	100%	100%	100%	100%	other cities have suffered from coal
Balt & Ohio.	77	77	76	76	shortage during the winter, coal pro-
Balt & Opf.	7314	7334	7314	7314	
Beth Steel		132	130	130	1916 was the greatest in the history
Both Strts	18	18	15	15	of the country, according to a report
Bet St B wi	11736	11756	113%		issued by the Bureau of Mines today.
Bklyn R T		70	69	69	The report describes the year 1916
Burns Bros.			11734		as "the busiest, most prosperous year
Butte Sup	47	- 47	4534	4534	in the history of coal mining, with
del Petm	2334	2334	23%	23%	the greatest tonnage ever taken from the earth, and more men employed
Cal Pet pfd		5234	52	52	than ever before, an army exceeding
Can Pac	The second second		15314		three-quarters of a million tollers."
	8614	87		8434	Despite the boom in mining there
Cor deP. Cop.	39	39	39	39	were fewer men killed than in any
Ches & Ohio.		60%	5914	5934	one of the previous nine years.
Chi G W	12	12	12	12	With most of the big cities suffer- ing for lack of coal because of in-
Chi G W pt		3614	3614	3634	adequate deliveries there was at the
CRI&ct		2914	2816	2814	mines 65,000,000 more tons of coal
CM&StP	8134	8134	80	80	than was mined in any previous year.
CM&St.Pp					The number of men killed was
Chile Cop		2334	2256	2254	2,225, which is forty-four less than in
Chino Cop	551/6	56	5434	5434	1915, 229 less than in 1914, and 560
Col F & I	4634	4634	1000	46%	less than in 1913. The death rate for the number of
Col G & E	40%		39	3914	men employed is the lowest in the
Ch.G.E.L.&P		12634			past eighteen years.
Corn Prod		22		126%	
Cruc Steel	6634		64	2134	FEW CLOTHES ARE VOGUE
Cuba Cane		6636	100 m to 100	6434	TEN OLOTHEO AND TOUGH
	4434	4234	40%	4014	B
Caba C pfd	89	89	89	89	Bathing Sult Like Child's Rompers
Del Hud		1411/	97	1417	Popular at Palm Beach.
D&RGpfd.		14134		14134	PALM BEACH, Fis., Feb. 23.—If
Distrirs' Sec.	3134	3114	301/2	301/2	you take the Palm Beach type as
Dome M	25	25%	2314	2334	standard, bathing suits this season
Driggs S	19%	1934	1936	19%	oughtn't to cost an awful lot. There's
Du & S Sh.	51	51	-51	51	a considerable expanse of unsuited parts to be discerned in the models
The second secon	514	534	534	514	here.
Erie 2 pfd	2734 33	2754	26%	2634	One style popularized by a wealthy
Gen Elec		33 164	163	33 16334	New York woman looks like a suit of
AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN	A 5.819	417.4	ASSE	AMO 19	child's compace with the nother or-

163 Gen Elec.... 164 164 G Mot new .. 11234 11354 11034 11034 56% 55% 56% Goodrich 56 Granby 8614 8614 85 3134 3134 GN Ore..... 82% 32% Gt Nor pfd., 1131/2 1131/2 1131/2 1131/2 Greene C.... 41 41 40% 40% Gulf S S 1101/2 1101/2 107 107 Hvst Crp.... 81 80 Inspiration. 57% 5814 5616 5614 Int Ag Cp. .. 4014 40% 40% 40% Int Nkl 4134 4134 4134 4154 Int Paper ... 371/2 3714 3714 3716 9612 Int Pap p ... 9614 9635 9634 Inter C 13 13 13 13 Inter C p 6514 65% 6436 6436 K C So pf ... 5514 5514 5516 - 5516 4539 Kennecott.. 451/4 44 4414 234 K.C.Elec.rts.. 254 234 234 back St L., 79 79 7736 4012 LE&W.pf. 4014 4016 4014 2214 Lee Tire ... 22 22 Schigh V.. 7436 7436 7334 Lorilld pf ... 118 118 118 118

and Isld. 39

Mar. pfd ... 5 68%

Max Mot... 54%

MaxM.1pf.... 68% Max.M.2p... 35

Mex Pet.... 8914

Marine.... 2434 2434

Miami Cop. 39% 39%

Math. A.W 58% 58% 58%

#StLnew... 24% 24% 24%

Sat.E.&S..., 33% 33% 32% 33%

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Penn R R ... 54% 54% 54%

P.Marq.wi., 281/2 281/2 281/2

Mo Pac wi.. 30% 30% 30

Mont. Pow. 100% d00%

Nev. Cons., 25 25 N. Y. Cent. 95% 95%

NYNH&H# 43% 45%

SYO & W., 251/2 251/2

Nat ES p 96

N. C. & S... 82

BO, TaMex a 19

6. F. Sup Co. 52

Owens BM., 99

Pac Mail... 22

People's Gas 93

an A Petp., 95

Ont Silver ..

Nov.See Stl. 105

Ohio C Gas. 3 102 102

Mackay 88

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Pits Stl p... 100% 100% 100 Pitts C ct... 46% 4756 Pitts Cet p. . 11014 11014 11034 11034 75% Press S Car. 1 7734 7734 75% 26% 48% Ray Cons ... 2714 271/2 Ry St Spring 48% 48% Rep Steel... 78 78% Rep Steel... 78 76% Rep Stl pfd., 1011/ 1011/ 10134 10134 Reading.... 10634 97 9434 9534 Seab'd A L., 15 15 15 15 15 Sea A L pf., 3334 3434 3334 3434 Shattuck... 2734 2734 27 27 8 Sears-Roeb, 2234 22234 22234 22234 61 Sloss-Shef... 63 South Pac... 93% 1 94 South Ry... 28% States Steel Are Among More Studebaker. 10134 10134 10034 10034 Stude pf.... 105 105 105 Stutz Mot... 4714 4714 TenC&Cetfs 1514 1514 4736 4736 Texas Co. . . . 229 229 223 2:23 99 93 93 93 124 Union Pac. . 1381/2 1381/2 1361/2 136% 82 9834 9814 44 1834 79 US Ind Al. .. 13014 - 13214 12714 JSR&Im., 1614 1614 1614 1634 US Rub.... 5414 5414 5234 U.S.Rub 1pf 109 109 109 109 5736 U.S.Sm.&R. . 58% 58% 573% JS Steel.... 10814 10814 10614 IS Steel pf. 1181/4 1181/4 1181/4 1181/4 Utah Cop..., 110% 110% 108% 109 3914 a-Car. C... 49 40 3914 Wabash.... 12% 12% 1234 1234 Wab p A 50 48% 2634 Vab p B.. 2614 26% 2614 2514 24% West Md... 251/2 2434 Veathe.... 50 Vest UT... 93% 9334 9336 9334 100 100 Wells F Ex., 100 100 4814 White Mot., 49 4814 Willy Ov 34 34 3354 3334 Wil & Co Inc 63 63 1 . 62% 62% Sales up to 11 a. m...... 171,100

RECORD COAL PRODUCTION

FEW CLOTHES ARE VOGUE

Popular at Paim Beach.

PALM BEACH, Fla., Feb. 23.—If you take the Paim Beach type as standard, bathing suits this season oughtn't to cost an awful lot. There's a considerable expanse of unsuited Riggs Realty 5's (long) 101

tremities, so to speak, considerably *Wash. Ry. & Elec. com. 78 foreshortened.

There are no sleeves, and instead N. & W. Steamboat..... 150

of a collar, there's a big enough hole in the top to permit a goodly sized Georgetown Gas colffure to pass through untouched.

But what the bathing suit lacks Amer. Tel. & Tela. In size, it makes up in brilliance. It's made up of flowered and striped silk. Oh, yes, in addition, or rather subtraction, there are no stockins traction, there are no stockins worn.

BAN ON FAIR SEX LIFTED

Middles May Now Entertain Guests At Academy Hops.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Feb. 23.-The attempt to make an "Eveless Eden" of the Naval Academy as a result of the 2214 stringent regulations put into effect since the break with Germany, has tallen flat, and orders issued today make it possible for the fair friends Lig & M..... 259% 259% 259% 259% of the midshipmen to see the athletic events scheduled for the afterne and to take part in the informal hop to be given in the auditorium. Though all other regulations remain in effect, all other regulations remain in effect, it is believed that a way has been 58% continuance of the monastic conditions of the past two weeks.

Tomorrow persons of both sexes will be permitted to see the athletic events and also to attend an informal hep in the auditorium. The latter will be the first social event at the The latter MSt. P&S M. 109% 109% 109% Academy in three weeks. letic events will be attractive, as hale will oppose the midshipmen in wrest-Mo.Pac.cts., 1234 1234 1234 ling, gymnastics, and fencing.

ENDS LIFE ON LOSING HENS

9634 Poultryman Hangs Self When Nat Lead... 5834 5834 5734 5734 Weasel Raids Coop.

2454 CANDOR, Pa., Feb. 23.—Wilson Mer. T. & S. 100
9554 Merckle, a young poultryman, hanged Mer. T. & S. 105
4454 himself in his chicken coop at an Wash. Market. 18 251/2 early hour this morning, a few min-Nor & West. 130% 130% 120% 129% utes after he had discovered that Nor. Pac... 104% 104% 103% 103% eighteen of his best White Wyan-BO.T&Mexa 19 19 19 19 dotte pullets had been killed by a

weasel Merckle, according to his mother, 614 on hearing a noise among his chickon hearing a noise among his chick—and hall at 833 Seventh street north—
98's ens at daylight this morning arose west; architect, W. S. Plager; build—
89's and went to the coop. When he falled ser. W. E. Mooney; estimated cost, to return in a half hour Mrs. Merckle investigated and found him hanging R. H. Sanford, for garage in rear of the coop. The country street porthwest; eather the coop.

LOCAL MARKET

GOO DDEMAND FOR BONDS DEVELOPS TODAY.

Total Turn Over Aggregates Nearly \$20,000, With Prices Generally Strong-Railways and Pepco Consolidated Mortgage 5's Are Leaders in Trading-Graphophone and Washington Gas Also Active.

Good demand for bonds developed at today's session of the Washington Stock Exchange, the ttotal turnover 82% aggregating slightly above \$19,000, with prices generally strong."

Sales included three \$500 Railway 4's at 821/4 and \$6,000 worth of the full bonds at 81. Potomac Electric Company Consolidated Mortgage 5's 12814 were traded in to the extent of \$7,000 worth at 101, which is a gain of a 52% quarter of a poitn over the last pre-

> Graphophone 6's also were strong with sales of \$3,000 worth at 102. Three \$500 Washington Gas 5's sold at 106%, and a Traction 5 of the same size brought 105%. A \$200 Norfolk and Washington Steamboat 5 concluded bond sales.

> Lanston was the only stock that showed any tendency toward activity, a total of 120 shares selling on

TODAY'S SALES. Capital Traction 5's, \$500@105%.

Washington Railway and Electric 4's, \$500@82\\, \$500@82\\, \$500@82\\, \$1,000@81, \$1,000@81, \$1,000@81, \$1,000 @81, \$1,000@81, \$1000@81.
Norfolk and Washington Steamboa

5'a \$200@106. Lanston, 20@71 14, 20@71 14. Mergenthaler, 1@168. After call: Potomac consolidation 5's, \$1,000@

\$1,000@101, \$1,000@101, \$1,000@ \$1,000@101, \$1,000@101 \$1,000@ American Graphophone 6's, \$1,000@ 102, \$1,000@102, \$1,000@102. Lanston, 20@71%, 20@71%, 20@71%,

20@71% Capital Traction 5's, \$500@105%. Washington Gas 5's, \$500@106%, \$500@106%, \$500@106%.

LOCAL BOND MARKET. GOVERNMENT BONDS. U. S. Reg. 2's..... 98% ...

	U. S. Coupon 2's 98%	
	U. S. Reg. 3's 90%	
	U. S. Coupon 3's 99%	
	U. S. Reg. 4's 109%	1
	U. S. Coupon 4's 110%	
	D. C. 3:65's 103%	
	GAS BONDS.	
	Geo. Gas Cert. Ind. 5s 105	
	Georgetown Gas 5s 106	
		106%
	RAILROAD BONDS.	
	Cap. Traction R. R. 5s. 105%	106
	Ans. Pot. Guar. 5's 99	
	Anacostia & Potom. 53. 98	
g	City and Suburban'5's., 10214	
	Metrop. R. R. 5's 104	
	Wash, Ry. and Elec. 4's 81	814
	Wash, Alex, and & Mt. V.	80
	MISCELLANEOUS BONDS	
	The state of the s	THE COLUMN

51 a considerable expanse of unsuited Riggs Realty 5's (long) 101 parts to be discerned in the models here.

2634 here.

One style popularized by a wealthy New York woman looks like a suit of child's rompers, with the nether ex-PUBLIC UTILITY STOCKS.

82%

MINING STOCK.	
*Greene Cananca 40 NATIONAL BANK STOCK	rs
American Nat. Bank 158	170
Capital Nat. Bank 222	1444
Columbia Nat. Bank 240	250
Com. Nat. Bank 194	210
District Nat. Bank 143	148
Far. & Mech. Nat. Bk., 240	***
Federal Nat. Bank 158	162
Lincoln Nat. Bank 160	
Nat. Metrop. Bank 205	17.50
Riggs Nat. Bank 500	580
Second Nat. Bank 141	145
Nat. Bk. of Wash 220	230
TRUST COMPANY STOCK	8.
Amer. Sec. & Trust 260	265
Nat. Sav. & Trust 275	
Union Trust 124%	
Wash, Loan & Trust 235	241

Continental Trust 125 SAVINGS BANK STOCKS. FIRE INSURANCE STOCKS. Arlington Fire Ins..... 8% Corcoran Fire Ins..... 80 Firemen's Fire Ins..... 19 Ger Amer Fire Ins..... 285

636 10 Nat. Union Fire Ins..... Potomac Fire Ins. TITLE INSURANCE STOCKS. Columbia Title Ins.... 4% Real Estate Title Ins.... 78 MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS. Chapin Sacks 170 D. C. Paper Mfg. Co.... 140

U. S. Realty Co..... 111/4

BUILDING PERMITS. The following building permits were izsued today: Central Savings Bank, to erect bank and hall at 833 Seventh street north

pe from a rafter. Lying on the floor rid guincy street northwest; estimated cost, \$200.

Merckie had recently refused sov
281.

All Marckie had recently refused sov
1476 Clifton street; estimated cost, \$100.

NEWS FOR INVESTORS SEARCHERS FAIL TO

Increased Dividend Expected. In view of the present large earn ings of Anaconda Copper Company which are said to be at the rate of dividend rate is \$8 a share, or approx

\$75,000,000 a year, shareholders seem to have ample reason to expect an in-crease in the dividend. The present imately \$18,400,000 a year. Paying of the company's \$16,000,000 two-year notes which mature March 1, is expected to be followed by developments favorable to sharehalders.

Pittsburgh Coal Wins Suit. Pittsburgh Coal Company's stock read justment committee has sent announce ment to stockholders that the suit filed last July in New Jersey against the company asking injunction to restrain carry ing out of readjustment plan and which prevented earlier action by the committee, has recently been decided by the court in favor of the com-pany. The announcement says the committee is now engaged in working out details required for carrying out the plan, and it is believed these details will be ready for announcement within the next ten days.

Declares Regular Dividends.

Regular quarterly dividends of 1% per cent on its first preferred stock and 1% per cent on the second pre ferred have been declared by the Driggs-Seabury Company. Both divi-dends are payable March 15 to share-holders of record March 1.

Potash Production Increases.

As a result of efforts to make the United States independent of foreign sources for its potash supply, produc tion in 1916 was increased tenfold as compared with 1915. In a preliminary report just made public by the Geo ity, a total of 120 shares selling on report just made public by the Geoa scale downward from 71½ to 71%.

One share of Mergenthaler Linotype
stock, at 168, was the only other
stock sale.

TODAY'S SALES.

report just made public by the Geological Survey, the 1916 production is
logical Survey, the 1916 production is
logical Survey. The 1916 production is
stimated at 10,000 tons with a value
of \$3,500,000. The estimate is based
on incomplete returns which to date
have accounted for 8,830 tons. In
1917, with the boom, in full swing, it
is expected a much greater total will

New Fields for Lumber.

Roumania and 'Austria-Hungary are the principal competitors American lumbermen will find in the lumber markets of the Mediterranean district and the near East, when the war is over, according to a report on the subject just published by the Bureau of Foreign and Domentic Commerce. This is a business the Roumanians and Austrians abve handled success fully and almost exclusively for many years. The annual value of lumber imports into these regions before the war is placed at \$132,292,000, of which the United States supplied \$12,652,000.

Monetary Situation in Mexico. of 1.80 pesos national gold to the

This differs from the rate fixed by the department of finance for the first ten days of February, which was on a basis of 1.85 pesos-for each American paper dellar and 1.95 pesos for each American silver dollar.

Wants American Catalogues

The American Chamber of Commerce at Paris is establishing a catalogue file, and desires to receive cata-logues from American manufacturers who wish to start or increase their business abroad. The chamber makes a proviso that such catalogues as may be sent for its files should not exceed nine by twelve inches in measurement, as larger publications would not be sultable for its filing. system.

BALTIMORE GRAIN MARKET

BALTIMORE, Feb. 23.—Wheat-Easier. February, March, and spot No. 2 red, \$1.94%, nominal No. 2 red Western spot, \$1.98%, nominal. Re-celpts, \$1.829 bushels. Exports, 303,-645 bushels.

Corn-Easier. Spot mixed, \$1.15%; nominal; No. 3 yellow, \$1.15%; cob corn, \$5.25 per barrel. Receipts, 208,corn, \$5.25 per barrel. Receipts, 200, 252 bushels. Exports, \$5.714 bushels. being examined here by British authorities on her voyage from New York to Copenhagen, has 200 suits of the procession.

Hay—Quiet. No. 1 timothy, \$18,000; \$18.50; No. 1 clover, \$15.000;\$15.50. Receipts, 458 tons.

WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKET BUTTER-Eigin print, 45c; Eigin, 45c; pro-

ess, Millic; store packed, 25936c. PCCCS-Nearby 436440; Southern, 42c. CHEESE-New York State, factory, new

POULTRY-Live hens, per lb., 19c; ross ters, per lb., 14c; turkeys, per lb., 27603c; apring chickens, per lb., 25627c; ducks, per lb., 26618c; keats,

spring chickens, per lb., 18618c; keats, young, each, 18638c. Per lb., 18618c; keats, young, each, 18638c. Per lb., 18618c; keats, per lb., 18638c. Per lb., 18618c; keats, per lb., 18638c. Per lb., 18618c. Chickens, per lb., 18618c. Chickens, per lb., 18618c. P

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

REAL ESTATE THANSFERS.
County—Orren G. Staples, et nx., to
Scott Nesbit, part described; \$10.
Long Meadows—John Byrnes, surviving trustes, to George C. Gertman
and Daniel Haley, trustees, part
lots 176 and 177; \$10. George C.
Gertman and Daniel Haley, trusttees, convey same property to Edward A and Mary Cooke; \$400.
116 Fourteenth street southwest— 316 Fourteenth street southwest-

Mary O'Leary to Elizabeth C. Beach, lot 21. square 265; \$10. Sixteenth Street Highlands Holmes Central Realty Corporation to Mary T. Riordon, lot 12 and part lots 13 and 11, square 2723; \$10.

street northwest-Chapin 1423 N Brown and Henry H. Bergmann, trustees to Vincent L. Toomey, part original lot 4, square 211; 81,150. Scheutzen Park—Carlos P. Williams et al., to Henrietta M. Perley, lot Gene Simpson, one of the --- num-109, block 3; \$10.

FIND RUTH CRUGER

Seems Utterly Swallowed Up.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 .- Seventeen never heard of again.

A hundred detectives have searched unavailingly for a clue. Theory after theory has been discarded. The fact remains that Ruth Cru-ger went to a little shop to have her skates sharpened—and then stepped out into oblivion. One day later Al-

fredo Cocchi, proprieter of the shop and married, was likewise swallowed Detectives have not been able to establish any acquaintanceship be-tween the man and the girl. Ruth was happy at home; she exhibited no changed demeanor on the last way she was seen. She had no love affairs.

None could explain her disappearance Just how easy it is for a kidnaper to ply his trade in New York was evidenced in an inciden, which came to the attention of the police today to the attention of the police today, are L T Smith was waiting in a subway station. A tail man approached her and grabbed her arm. She protested. A crowd gathered. There were some threats against the Then he spoke.

man. The crowd calmly parted and let the "detective" and his prisoner pass. The crank, sull posing as a detective, took the woman to the nearest police

RESTORE MERCHANT FLEET

Alm of Shipping Board Chairman Outlined to President.

In an effort to give immediate re-Hef to the acute food situation in the East, Chairman Denman, of the new Federal Shipping Board, conferred with the President this afternoon on a plan to press into coastwise trade foreign vessels constructed or under construction in American shippards to replace the fleet of merchant ships which deserted the coastwise service following the outbreak of the war.

The fact that it has been necessary to ship by rail large quantities of whea and other foodstuffs which formerly went by water from the Pacific coast to the Atlantic seaboard is said to be one of the principal reasons for the pres ent freight congestion.

It is known that thousands of bushels A recent decision of the Mexican o fwheat are being held in Oregon postmaster general orders the postoffices throughout the republic to of the lack of proper shipping facilities accept United States dollars in payment for postage stamps at the rate wheat into eastern markets that Denorf. 1.80 pesos national gold to the

Denman discussed with the Presi-Denman discussed with the President pending legislation in Congress which gives the board the power to secure to the American flag those ships now under construction in American ship yards.

It was learned that more than 75 per cent of the ships now being built in this country have been contracted for by foreign governments. It is

for by foreign governments. It is estimated that more than \$200,000,000 of Scandinavian capital is invested in such ships.

TOO MANY PAJAMA SUITS

British May Seize Some of Bern storff Party's Apparel.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 23.-The Frederik VIII today is lying at a railway pier here, having been down the harbor from Bedford basin. The pier is in charge of authorities. The object of the removal has not been stated, but it is thought likely it indicates examination of the ship's

cargo One of the German embassy necre taries returning to Germany v Count von Bernstorff on board steamship Frederik VIII, which

Bys—Quiet. No. 2 Western exports, \$1.55@\$1.56. Receipts, \$113,232 others of the party cotton goods, known to be scarce in Germany, are the customs inspectors have discovered. In view of the close as sociation between cotton and explo-sives, it is understood the examiners will take some of the clothing from the Germans and make an allowance for it.

STEAK FAILS AS WITNESS

awarded \$25 a week alimony, and when she expressed doubt as to her ability to collect the money the court told her to remain in the studio as manager and assure her income.

OYSTER AN AQUARIUM. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 23.—Charles

H. Bruch, Jr., opening oysters in a Hazleton, Pa., fish market, found a two-inch fish alive in one oyster. It now swims, he swears, in the Bruch aquarium after its 200-mile journey HARVARD WAITERS IN ARMY.

CAMBRIDGE, Feb. 23.-Harvard's sixty colored waiters employed at Memortal Hall have organized a millitary company, and for the remainder of the year will drill three times a week under the direction of Capt.

SEA IS REFLECTED IN MEN'S FASHIONS

Pretty New York School Girl Trousers Will Be Wide at the Bottom Like Those of Pirates of Old.

Enter the influence of the sea into rear-old Ruth Cruger seemed likely the realm of male fashions. Whether oday to take her place in that mys- it be a pebble of suggestion washed terious company of 3,500 New York- shoreward by submarine, battleship ers who annually disappear and are or cruiser from the war zone or just a reflectfon of "rights of the sea," Nine days have clapsed since the the briny is now making its appear-pretty school girl was swallowed up. It comes in the form of "sailor trousers." Not the ordinary pantsloons of the jolly tar, but a modified variety of "old salt" raiment, possessing a slightly less degree of saillike appearance at the bottoms.

Trousers Made Wider.

Trousers shall be made wider than sual in the new spring and summe suitings, is the commandment of the Fifth avenue sartorialists. Instead of tightening up as they reach man's nether extremities, the garments in question are to widen or broaden until at the shoe tops they resemble the balloon effect of those pirates who sang, "Yo, ho, and a bottle of

As regards sack coats they will be influenced by the land warfare, and, lest we forget, will also be marked by a striking innovation; for the Fifth avenue tailors, are making them with sleeves large at the shoulders. These sleeves gradually tighten, to use tailoring parlance, as they near the wrist.

Waist Line High

And lest we forget that thing of now vital importance to mortals over a certain age-the waist line, well, this line is to be "rawther" high in the spring and summer coats, the the spring and summer coats, the tailors decree. Coats are to be otherwise worn in much the same fashion as they have been during the preceding two or three years, the tendency of the ultra-fashionable tailors, however, being to make these garments much looser than last year. Now, after being thus informed as to what the sartorial authorities decree let it be known right here that in the opinion of many of those who

in the opinion of many of those who nake clothes for the smartly dressed men of Washington these attempted innovations count for naught in the Capital. No one denies that by process of gradual evolution they may work their way into the attire of the Capital's sartorially correct men.

Leading Washington tailors after reviewing the innovations of the New York clothes artists say that no pre-dictions can be made therefrom as to what Washingtonians will wear. "There are some who will abide by what the New York tailors are doing," said Henry L. Kaufman, "but there are many who will consider themselves stylishly dressed, who will adhere to the tight-fitting sack coats and trousers."

Will Avoid Innovations,

"The well dressed Washingtonian in my opinion," declared Bernard Foley. "will not go in for any radical innovation in dress."

As for blue, purple, and other col-ors taking the place of black in evening clothes, most of the tailors laugh at the idea.

"As far back as 1907 we made dark blue, brown and purple evening clothes," said one tailor, "but we make one suit of these clothes for one man to every 200 suits of black we make for others. The attempt to introduce other colors into evening dress seems to have failed."

Tweeds and other similar goods

which have been seen in golfing and outing costumes during the past sev-eral years will be favored as ma-terials for street wear, according to cutaway is gradually taking its place

JAP SOUNDS WARNING

Supposedly Official Spokesman Attacks Allen Laws.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 .- What was regarded today as a frank warning from Japan that something must be done to stop restrictive measures against Japanese in America, was voiced at the World's Court meeting by Dr. T. Iyenaga, supposed to be an official government spokesman.

"Many Japanese have come here," he said, "in obedience to and under protection of the treaty between our two countries. Strangely enough, we are not all treated or protected alike. Accused Sentenced to Pay for Meat

He Exhibits.

NEW YORK, Peb. 22.—Edward
Phelan walked into Jacob Wohlgenmuth's restaurant in Brooklyn yesterday and ordered a steak.

He fussed with it a moment or two prehensible to those Japanese who are not conversant with the peculiar nature of the American Constitution. "It is reported that one of the States is today contemplating to enact States is tonay contemplating to enact the same kind of land law which once strained Japanese American relations. "If this kind of pin pricking is often repeated, I fear the time may come when the Japanese rulers can-not restrain the people."

> SUBSTITUTES CHINESE EGGS. NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Chinese eggs are going to help break up the high cost of living in New York city. Sev-eral carloads of them have reached this city from Vancouver, after a trip from China and are being offered at 42 and 42% cents a dozen, practically the price paid here for the storage kind.

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